

(c) The schemes were closed on 31st January, 1992 and no further steps are proposed to be taken for them.

[Translation]

Loans Advanced to Companies/Firms by Banks and Financial Institutions in Maharashtra

2967. SHRI VILASRAO NAGNATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of companies/firms to which loans of more than Rs. one crore have been given by the banks and financial institutions in Maharashtra during each of the last two years;

(b) whether these companies/firms are regularly repaying the interest and the principal amount;

(c) if not, the number of the companies/firms that defaulted in the matter of repayment of loan; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d). The data reporting system does not generate the information in the manner asked for. However, the total amount of outstanding advances of scheduled commercial banks in Maharashtra stood at Rs. 26145 crores and Rs. 29910 crores as at the end of March 1990 and March 1991 respectively. Further, the amount sanctioned and disbursed by all Financial Institutions to Industry Sector in the State of Maharashtra for the year 1989-90 and 1990-91 was as under:

(Rs. in Crores)

Year	Sanctioned	Disbursed
1989-90	3644	1878
1990-91	4438	2567

Various steps have been taken by RBI to reduce the amount of overdues and also to improve the recovery performance of the commercial banks in respect of their advances to various Sectors. Some of the important steps are as follows:

1. Banks have been impressed upon to institute a viable recovery system with a view to help recycling the scarce resources of the Banks to the needy and productive sectors of the economy on the one hand, and to improve the profitability and viability of the lending banks, on the other.

2. The Chief Executives of the banks have been advised to pay personal attention to the monitoring of large advances.

3. Introduction of a comprehensive and uniform grading system to indicate the health of individual advances for the purpose of their effective monitoring and follow up.

4. To keep a watch on the recovery of top sticky accounts at the Board Level.

5. Taking action against the officials where advances are found to have become sticky due to their negligence, inefficiency etc.

LIC Branches

2968. SHRI VILASRAO NAG NATHRAO GUNDEWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of Life Insurance Corporation branch offices functioning in each State at present; and

(b) the details of new LIC branch offices proposed to be opened during 1992-93 State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE

MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) The total number of Life Insurance Corporation Branch Offices functioning in India at present is 1761. State/Union Territory-wise break-up is as follows:-

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>No. of Branch Offices</i>
1.	Andhra Pradesh	151
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	1
3.	Assam	41
4.	Bihar	90
5.	Goa	10
6.	Gujarat	126
7.	Haryana	36
8.	Himachal Pradesh	20
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	17
10.	Karnataka	122
11.	Kerala	72
12.	Madhya Pradesh	105
13.	Maharashtra	220
14.	Manipur	3
15.	Meghalaya	3
16.	Mizoram	1
17.	Nagaland	3
18.	Orissa	45
19.	Punjab	56
20.	Rajasthan	89

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>State</i>	<i>No. of Branch Offices</i>
21.	Sikkim	1
22.	Tamil Nadu	152
23.	Tripura	3
24.	Uttar Pradesh	212
25.	West Bengal	121
<i>Union Territory</i>		
26.	Andaman & Nicobar	1
27.	Chandigarh	4
28.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	—
29.	Daman & Diu	—
30.	Delhi	55
31.	Lakshaw Dweep	—
32.	Pondicherry	1
Total		1761

(b) The Life Insurance Corporation of India has proposed to open about 110 Branch Offices during the year 1992-93. The State/ Union Territory-wise location thereof has not yet been decided.

[English]

Exports by STC

2969. SHRI HARISH NARAYAN PRABHU ZANTYE: Will the Minister of

COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the items exported by the State Trading Corporation during the last three financial years alongwith their quantity and value; and

(b) the countries to which exported?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b). A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.